109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 201

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to stabilize the amount of the Medicare part B premium.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 4, 2005

Mr. Scott of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Keep the Promise of
- 5 Medicare Act of 2005".
- 6 SEC. 2. STABILIZATION OF MEDICARE PART B PREMIUM.
- 7 Section 1839(a)(3) of the Social Security Act (42)
- 8 U.S.C. 1395r(a)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the
- 9 following new sentence: "Notwithstanding the preceding

- 1 sentences, the monthly premium rate determined under
- 2 this paragraph for each month in 2006 may not exceed
- 3 an amount equal to the monthly premium rate determined
- 4 under this paragraph for each month in 2005 adjusted
- 5 by the percentage change in the average Consumer Price
- 6 Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers
- 7 (CPI-W) for the third quarter of 2004 to the third quar-
- 8 ter of 2005.".

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